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FROM AMBASSADOR VAKY

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SUBJ: LEGAL CASE OF AURA ENGENIA RUEDA

REF: A) DEPT OF LABOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO RUEDA JUNE 25, 1975;

B) STATE 011457 JAN 16, 75

1. ON JAN 26, 1970 MISS AURA EUGENIA RUEDA WAS INJURED IN AN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT WHILE ON OFFICIAL USG (AID) BUSINESS. HER CLAIM FOR REIMBURSEMENT FROM THE US DEPARTMENT OF LABOR HAS BEEN DRAGGING ON FOR FIVE YEARS WITHOUT MUCH PROGRESS.

2. THE EMBASSY HAS NOW RECEIVED A NOTE FROM THE FOREIGN MINISTRY ON THE RUEDA CASE (SEE REFS) NOTIFYING US THAT SHE HAS FILED A SUIT IN COURT AGAINST THE US GOVERNMENT.

3. ACCORDING TO AID LAWYER ROBERTSON THE SUIT WAS ACTUALLY FILED IN JANUARY 1973 TO PROTECT HER RIGHTS UNDER THE COLOMBIA STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS. HOWEVER, MISS RUEDA INSTRUCTED HER ATTORNEY TO DELAY PROCESSING OF THE CASE UNTIL NOW IN ORDER TO AVOID POSSIBLE EMBARRASSMENT TO THE USG.

4. MISS RUEDA OVER THE YEARS HAS BEEN IN CONSTANT CONTACT WITH THE EMBASSY, AND THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR REGARDING THE CASE. OUR RELATIONS WITH HER AND HER FAMILY HAVE

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5. IN A LETTER NOV 8, 1974 FROM ROBERTSON TO DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
LAWYER SIGLIN ALL REQUESTED INFORMATION AND DATA WERE FORWARDED
TO ALLOW DEPARTMENT OF LABOR TO MAKE A SETTLEMENT DETERMINATION.

6. I BELIEVE MISS RUEDA'S CORDIALITY, FRIENDLINESS TOWARDS THE
US, ALMOST ENDLESS PATIENCE AND HER CONCERN ABOUT EMBARRASSING
THE USG (WHICH WE SHARE) ARE DESERVING OF IMMEDIATE ACTION BY
THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR. I WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE YOUR INTER-
VENTION IN THIS MATTER IN ORDER TO SPEED UP THE PROCESS. ROBERTSON
BELIEVES A REASONABLE OFFER FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR WOULD BE
ACCEPTED.

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